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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed August 24, 2004, said period of response being extended from December 24, 2004 to February 24, 2005.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-2725 in the amount of \$1,020.00 to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

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